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SUBJECT: DKP STATEMENT ON BRANDT RESIGNATION

1. ON MAY 7 THE PRESIDUM OF THE GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY

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(DKP) ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT (UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION)

CONCERNING CHANCELLOR BRANDT'S RESIGNATION:

2. THE RESIGNATION OF BRANDT IS THE EXPRESSION OF INCREASING SYMPTOMS OF CRISIS, CAUSED BY THE CAPITALIST PROFIT SYSTEM WHICH HAS RECENTLY BECOME MORE AND MORE OBVIOUS.

3. THE PRESIDUM OF THE DKP REFERS TO THE REACTIONARY CIRCLES OF LARGE AND ARMATENTS CAPITAL AND THEIR PARTISANS IN THE CDU/CSU WHOSE OPPOSITION TO A POLICY OF DETENTE, DEMOCRACY AND THE DEMANDS OF LABOR HAVE LED TO THIS GOVERNMENT CRISIS AND TO THE RESIGNATION OF BRANDT. THROUGH ANTI-CUMMUNIST AND ANTI-DEMOCRATIC ACTS AND THROUGH THE INTRIGUES OF RIGHTIST SPD LEADERS, THE ACTIVITES OF THESE CIRCLES HAVE BEEN FACILIATED.

4. THE BRANDT GOVERNMENT HAS IGNORED THE EXPECTATIONS OF ITS VOTERS AND HAS PLACED THE PROFIT AND POWER INTERESTS OF THE MONOPOLIES ABOVE THE INTEREST OF THE LABORING PEOPLE. IT HAS SHIFTED THE CONSEQUENCES OF CAPITALIST SYMPTOMS OF CRISIS ONTO THE WORKING POPULATION AND HAS FINALLY JOINED THE ANTI-COMMUNIST ATTACKS. WITH THIS IT WAS MADE EASIER FOR THE CDU/CSU TO UNLEASH A CONSPIRACY (KESSELTREIBEN) AGAINST A POLICY OF DETENTE, PEACE AND SOCIAL PROGRESS.

5. THE PRESIDUM OF THE DKP EMPHASIZES THATN WITH BRANDT'S RESIGNATION, NONE OF THE PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SOLVED WITH WHICH THE WORKING POPULATION IS FACED. THE PRESIDUM WARNS THAT STRONG CIRCLES OF BIG CAPITAL AS WELL AS RIGHTIST FOURCES IN ALL PARTIES INTENT TO USE BRANDT'S RESIGNATION TO SHIFT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC FURTHER TO THE RIGHT.

6. IN THIS SITUATION THE DKP TURNS TO THE WORKING PEOPLE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC, TO ALL PEACE LOVING AND DEMOCRATIC FORCES WITH THE APPEAL NOT TO TOLERATE THAT PROGRESS MADE ON THE ROAD TO DETENTE AND PEACE BE BLOCKED OR EVEN REVERSED. THE WORKING POPULATION MUST NOT WAIT AND SEE WHAT IS COMING OUT OF THIS CRISIS. IT IS NOW NECESSARY WITH RENEWED VIGOUR TO ADVOCATE A POLICY, WHICH IS GUIDED BY THE INTERESTS OF THE WORKING POPULATION.

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7. IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO INCREASE MASS PURCHASING POWER AND TO STOP PRICE INCREASES AND THE INFLATIONARY MONETARY DEVALUATION, TO MEET THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEMANDS OF THE WORKING POPULATION AT THE EXPENSE OF PROFITS OF BIG AND ARMAMENTS CAPITAL, TO DEFEND ENERGETICALLY THE DEMOCRACTIC RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES, TO REALIZE LONG OVERDUE REFORM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE WORKING POPULATION AND TO

PURSUE A CONSEQUENT POLICY OF PEACE AND DETENTE.

8. THE DKP ONCE MORE POINTS AT ITS ATTITUDE, FEATURED IN THE PAST YEARS BY SUPPORTING ALL STEPS OF THE BRANDT GOVERNMENT DESIGNED TO PROMOTE A LESSENING OF TENSIONS AND TO MAKE PEACE MORE SECURE. SIMULTANEOUSLY THE DKP HAS SUPPORTED ALL MEASURES BY WHICH AT LEAST PARTIAL DEMANDS OF THE WORKING POPULATION COULD BE REALIZED. DURING THIS TIME, HOWEVER THE DKP HAS DECIDEDLY OPPOSED ALL MEASURES CONTRADICTING THE INTEREST OF THE WORKING POPULATION AND WHICH HAVE RENDERED THE PROCESS OF DETENTE MORE DIFFICULT. ALSO IN FUTURE THE DKP WILL BE GUIDED BY THESE PRINCIPLES.

9. THE PRESIDUM OF THE DKP EMPHASIZES THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY FOR ALL DEMOCRATS AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES, FOR COMMUNISTS, SOCIAL DEMOCRATS, CHRISTIAN AND UNAFFILIATED COLLEAGUES TO REALIZE THEIR COMMON DEMANDS JOINTLY: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATIES WITH THE SOCIALIST NATIONS, DETENTE AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, REDUCTION OF ARMAMENT EXPENDITURES AND UTILIZATION OF THE MEANS THUS OBTAINED FOR SOCIAL AND CULTURAL PURPOSES, EFFECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST THE TRUSTS DRIVING UP PRICES, CODETERMINATION, FREEDOM IN THE VOCATIONAL FIELD AND DEMOCRACY IN THE PLANT AND CONTAINMENT AND ROLL BACK OF THE INFLUENCE OF THE POWER OF BIG CAPITAL. JOINT ACTION AFFORDS THE CERTAINTY OF BRINGING TO BEAR THE INTERESTS OF LABOR AND THE POPULACE.

10. ESPECIALLY NOW THE WORKING CLASS AND ALL DEMOCRATS NEED A STRONG DKP. THE STRENGTHENING OF THE PARTY OF THE WORKING CLASS WILL ALSO BENEFIT THOSE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC COMRADES, WHO ARE NOW WATCHING WITH CONCERN THE ACTIVITIES OF REACTION. THE STRONGER THE DKP, THE BETTER FOR ALL FORCES WHICH WANT PEACE, DEMOCRACY AND SOCIAL
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